

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of : **Osamu SEKIHATA , et al.**  
Filed: : **Concurrently herewith**  
For: : **METHOD, APPARATUS, AND.....**  
Serial No. : **Concurrently herewith**

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to the issuance of an Office Action, please amend the specification and claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the following claim:

8.(Amended) A bandwidth control system arranging the bandwidth control apparatus mentioned in claim 5 between an MAC layer controller and a physical layer controller.

## REMARKS

This amendment is being submitted to avoid multiple dependent claims.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

8.(Amended) A bandwidth control system arranging the bandwidth control apparatus mentioned in claims 5 to 7 between an MAC layer controller and a physical layer controller.